

September 3, 2003

Ref: 3810-22211

Honorable James H. Welsh
Commissioner of Conservation
Post Office Box 94275
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4275

Re: Hearing Application
Fridge Zone, Reservoir G
SORRENTO FIELD
Ascension Parish, Louisiana
Applicant: Novus Louisiana, LLC

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, application is hereby made on behalf of Novus Louisiana, LLC for the calling of a public hearing, after legal notice, to consider evidence relative to the issuance of an order pertaining to the following matters relating Fridge Zone, Reservoir G in the Sorrento Field, Ascension Parish, Louisiana.

1. To create a single drilling and production unit of approximately 123 acres designated as the FRDG RG SUA, Sorrento Field, Ascension Parish, Louisiana, all as shown more particularly on the attached plat;
2. To establish rules and regulations governing the exploration for and production of gas and condensate from the said unit;
3. To force pool and integrate all separately owned tracts, mineral leases and other property interests within the unit so created, with each tract sharing in unit production on a surface acreage basis of participation;
4. To designate a unit operator and a unit well for the proposed unit created herein.
5. To consider such other matters relating to the subject reservoir as may be appropriate and justified by the evidence presented at the public hearing.

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The Fridge Zone, Reservoir G in the Sorrento Field is hereby defined as being that gas and condensate bearing sand encountered between the measured depths of 9,874 feet and 10,135 feet (electrical log measurements) in the Novus Louisiana, LLC-United Lands Co., Inc. No. 1 Well, located in Section 13, Township 10 South, Range 4 East, Ascension Parish, Louisiana.

In accordance with the Rules of Procedure for Conducting Hearings Before the Commissioner of Conservation of the State of Louisiana, the Commissioner of Conservation, the District Manager of the Lafayette District of the Office of Conservation and all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties known to the applicant after a reasonable search were notified in writing in the pre-application notice dated August 21, 2003 that a conference to discuss the proposed application was tentatively scheduled for 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, September 11, 2003. No requests to confer were received with in writing or by telephone, and in accordance with the Rules of Procedure, the tentatively schedule conference **WILL NOT BE HELD**.

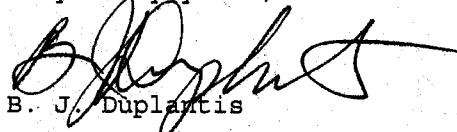
Attached hereto and made a part hereof is a plat outlining the FRDG RG SUA, Sorrento Field, Ascension Parish, Louisiana, and a list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties to whom this notice is being sent. It is hereby certified that a reasonable effort was made to ascertain the names and addresses of all interested owners, represented parties and interested parties.

A copy of the list of the names and addresses of the interested owners, represented parties and interested parties is not being mailed to those parties along with this pre-application notice. Should any such party desire a copy of this list, however, we will be glad to provide one upon request.

Any pertinent data relating to the proposed unit can be obtained, AT THE COST OF THE REQUESTING PARTY, from Mr. Holmes Smart, 200 Audubon Blvd., Bldg. 28, Lafayette, Louisiana 70503 (337) 232-4031.

Finally, there is enclosed herewith our check on behalf of the applicant in the amount of \$755.00, made payable to the Office of Conservation, representing the required hearing application fee.

Very truly yours,


B. J. Duplantis

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Attachments

cc: Mr. Richard D. Hudson
District Manager, Office of Conservation

All Interested Owners, Represented Parties and
Interested Parties

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Texaco
United Lands

11955'

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FRDG RG SUA
UNITED LANDS No. 1
± 123 ACRES

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Ansythe
United Lands

4 ST

10029' MD

9977' VD

5710' MD

9700' VD

Belnorth
(Ansythe)
United Lands

6

10239'

United Lands
23

11003'

Texaco
United Lands

2

8950'

Terra Resources
United Lands

1 OH

7644'

Texaco
United Lands

1 ST

7249' MD

6662'

United Lands

Burlington Res.
United Lands

1 OH

Burlington Res.
United Lands

1 ST

11400' MD

10165' VD

Frank
DeLator

Texaco
United Lands

22

10686'

Novus LA
United Lands

1

10361'

SALT
FAULT

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EXHIBIT NO.
DOCKET NO.

DATE:

NOVUS LOUISIANA LLC

SORRENTO FIELD
ASCENSION PARISH, LOUISIANA

PROPOSED UNIT
FRIDGE ZONE

0 1000' 2000'

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CONSULTING GEOLOGIST - LAFAYETTE, LOUISIANA

Texaco
United Lands

20

9143'

Texaco
United Lands

53

9621'

Santa Fe
United Lands

10

9880'

Texaco
United Lands

21

11303'

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